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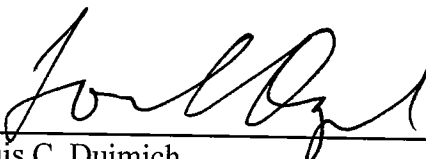
We filed the above application with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on  
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Respectfully submitted,

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